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Naval Station Norfolk Gets New Commanding Officer

NORFOLK, Va. – Capt. Loyd E. Pyle, Jr. will assume the duties as commanding officer, Naval Station Norfolk, from Capt. Jerry Becker during a change of command ceremony Friday, July 22.

Pyle reported to the world's largest naval station to serve as the executive officer in September 2004. A native of Key West, Fla., he graduated from United States Naval Academy in 1983.

His previous assignments include Adversary Instructor, Flag Lieutenant to Commander, Second Fleet, executive and commanding officer of Strike Fighter Squadron Three Four (VFA 34), and J-3 Division Chief on the Joint Staff.

Becker, who assumed command of the naval station and its facilities in January 2003, will retire from active duty in January and will remain in the Hampton Roads area.

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NOTE: Media desiring to cover the event should contact Naval Station Public Affairs Office at (757) 322-2337 by 4 p.m. July 21.